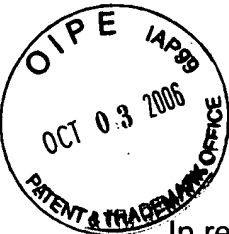


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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action mailed July 3, 2006, the period for response to which extends through October 3, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks follow the amendment section of this paper.